

REMARKS

Applicants respectfully request that the foregoing amendments be made prior to examination of the present application. Claims 1-40 have been canceled. Claims 41-82 have been added. Claims 41-82 are pending and are submitted for consideration.

Applicants believe that the present application is in condition for allowance. Favorable consideration of the application as amended is respectfully requested.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney by telephone if it is felt that a telephone interview would advance the prosecution of the present application.

Respectfully submitted,

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